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Julie Cullen is an Associate Professor of Economics at the University of California, San Diego. She received her Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1997, was a member of the faculty at the University of Michigan until 2004, and served as a Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Scholar from 1999-2001. Prior to becoming an academic, she served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Guatemala from 1989-92.

Cullen applies principles from public economics to analyze how institutions and individuals respond to incentives, often in unintended ways. Cullen has authored several papers investigating the impact of school finance and school choice policies on special education, general education, and other local government programs.

Other recent collaborative work analyzes issues in the design of adult disability and unemployment insurance programs, as well as the impact of relative personal and corporate tax rates on entrepreneurial activity. Her research has been published in leading journals, such as *Econometrica*, *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, and *The Journal of Public Economics*. She serves on several editorial boards, including the *Journal of Public Economics and Education Finance and Policy*. Counted among her career highlights are participating in the Michigan School Finance Task Force and testifying before the President's Commission on Excellence in Special Education.

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